

# **FISCAL NOTE**

## **SB 3197 - HB 3133**

March 12, 1998

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Requires the Tennessee Higher Education Commission (THEC) to establish a special mission university in Warren County. The Executive Director of THEC shall appoint not more than five persons to serve as implementation staff for the special mission university. The implementation staff may enter into agreements with the University of Wisconsin-Stout and/or others for the purpose of planning, organizing, and designing the special mission.

The implementation staff shall issue a report to the Governor and the General Assembly by January 4, 1999, establishing the initial curriculum, university staff needs, location, building needs, student body size, entrance requirements, corporate involvement and all matters necessary to the establishment of this special mission university. In order for THEC to establish this university and complete their report, an initial \$500,000 is appropriated to THEC for fiscal year 1998-99.

### **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**Increase State Expenditures - \$500,000 FY1998-99**

**Exceeds \$500,000 FY1999-2000 and thereafter**

Assumes a recurring cost for staff, building needs and related expenses of the special mission university as determined by the report.

### **CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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